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Gordon N. Wagner and Joseph Bassinger 33 La Cerria Drive Rancho Mirage, CA 92270

Re: GENERAL NOTICE OF LIABILITY

Facility located at: 11310 Sherman Way,

Sun Valley, California

San Fernando Valley Area 1, North Hollywood Operable Unit

EPA Superfund I.D. Nos. 0959 and 09N1

Los Angeles County, California

Dear Mr. Wagner and Mr. Bassinger:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") has documented a release or a substantial threat of a release of hazardous substances into the environment at the San Fernando Valley Area 1 Superfund Site, North Hollywood Operable Unit ("Site") in Los Angeles County, California. EPA has incurred costs for the investigation of contamination, selection of a interim remedy, and the design, construction and operation of that remedy at the Site, pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 9601, et seq.

This letter notifies Gordon N. Wagner and Joseph Bassinger of potential liability as defined by Sections 106(a) and 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9606(a) and 9607(a), with respect to the Site. In accordance with Section 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9607(a), responsible parties are liable for all costs related to response actions taken by EPA pursuant to CERCLA. Such costs may include, but are not limited to, expenditures for investigation, planning, response and enforcement activities, and interest. Under Section 106(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9606(a), EPA may order parties to take actions to protect public health and welfare and the environment when an imminent and substantial endangerment may exist.

Potentially responsible parties under CERCLA Section 107(a), 42 U.S.C. § 9607(a) include current and former owners or operators of a facility, persons who arranged for disposal of hazardous substances at a site and persons who accepted hazardous substances for transport to a site. The operations conducted at your Facility resulted in the contamination of soils underlying the Facility and may have resulted in the contamination of groundwater with

hazardous substances including trichloroethene ("TCE") and/or tetrachloroethene ("PCE"). EPA has determined that Gordon N. Wagner and Joseph Bassinger as owners may be potentially responsible parties with respect to the Site. A list of persons who are now being notified of potential liability is enclosed as Attachment I.

In the future, EPA may send you a letter containing a demand for payment of the cost of the response actions related to the Site.

If you need further information concerning technical issues, please contact Colette Kostelec at (415) 744-2253. If you have any legal questions please contact, or have your attorney contact, Marcia Preston, Assistant Regional Counsel, at (415) 744-1388.

Sincerely yours,

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Meith A. Takata
Deputy Director
Office of Superfund Programs

Attachment

cc: Robert Ghirelli, Executive Officer
Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

Chris Stubbs, South Coast Groundwater Section, H-6-4

Marcia Preston, Assistant Regional Counsel, ORC

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